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DETAILED ACTION

1. The Amendment filed on 10/02/2007 has been entered. Claims 1-7, 8-9, 11-15, 17-29 and 31-55 are pending in this Office action.

Response to Arguments

2. Applicant's arguments, see Applicants' Remarks, filed on 10/02/2007, with respect to the rejection(s) of claim(s) 8-9, 11-15, 18, 2-21, 29, 31 and 33-35 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) have been fully considered and are persuasive. Therefore, the rejection has been withdrawn. However, upon further consideration, a new ground(s) of rejection is made in view of Kadous U.S. Patent Application Publication No. US 2003/0189999 A1 (previously cited).

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

- (a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negatived by the manner in which the invention was made.
- 3. Claims 14-15, 17-18, 20-21, 36-39 and 41-42 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kadous U.S. Patent Application Publication No. US 2003/0189999 A1 (previously cited).

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Regarding claim 14, referring to FIG. 6, in paragraph [0141], Kadous teaches RX MIMO/data processor 160a includes a number of successive (i.e., cascaded) receiver processing stages 610a through 610t, one stage for each of the symbol streams to be recovered.

In paragraph [0142], Kadous teaches that for the first stage 610a, spatial processor 620a receives and process N_R received symbol streams from RX OFDM processor 158. One of the detected symbol streams is then selected to provide to RX data processor 630a. Processor 630a further processes (e.g., demodulates, deinterleaves, and decodes) this symbol stream to provide a corresponding decoded data stream, which is an estimate of the transmitted data stream corresponding to the symbol stream being recovered. In paragraph [0143], Kadous teaches that for the first stage 610a, interference canceller 640a receives the decoded data stream from RX data processor 630a and performs the processing (e.g., encoding, interleaving, and symbol mapping) to derive a remodulated symbol stream, which is an estimate of the symbol stream just recovered. The remodulated symbol stream is further processed in the time or frequency domain to derive estimates of the interference components. In light of the foregoing disclosure, the estimates of the interference components correspond to the claimed cancellation signal; because the interference canceller generate the estimates of the interference components, the interference canceller performs an equivalent function of the claimed noise cancellation system. Furthermore, because the interference canceller combines the estimates of the interference components with the received symbol streams y1, therefore, the interference canceller

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also performs an equivalent function of the claimed junction; and RX data processor (see FIG. 6) correspondents to the claimed decoder.

Kadous, however, does not disclose the step storing at least one of the two or more signals in a memory and retrieving from memory as set forth in the application. Because interference canceller 640a subtracts interference components from the first stage's input symbol streams y^1 to derive N_R modified symbol streams, it would have been obvious for one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to modify Kadous teachings to store symbol streams into memory and retrieve from memory symbol streams for later processing by the interference canceller 640a.

Kadous does not disclose a delay as set forth in the application claim.

Referring back to FIG. 6, because the interference canceller delays to synchronize the received symbol streams y¹ with decoded data stream on each stage, one of ordinary skill in the art would have recognized that the interference canceller acts as the claimed delay.

Regarding claim 15, as recited in claim 14 rejection, RX data processors 630a ... 630t (see FIG. 6) correspondent to the claimed decoders.

Regarding claim 17, as recited in claim 14 rejection, interference canceller 640a receives the decoded data stream from RX data processor 630a and performs the processing (e.g., encoding, interleaving, and symbol mapping) to derive a remodulated symbol stream, which is an estimate of the symbol stream just recovered. The

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remodulated symbol stream is further processed in the time or frequency domain to derive estimates of the interference components. Because the remodulated symbol stream is further processed in the time or frequency domain to derive estimates of the interference components, one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made would have recognized that the interference canceller further perform an equivalent function of a filter as claime in the application claim.

Regarding claim 18, in paragraph [00126], Kadous coding scheme may include any combination of cyclic redundancy check (CRC) coding, convolutional coding, Turbo coding, *block coding*, and so on. And in paragraph [0104], Kadous shows the performance of various SIC processing schemes, e.g. performance is provided for a (2,4) MIMO system with two transmit antennas and four receive antennas, and which uses 16-QAM with rate [fraction (1/2)] Turbo coding.

Regarding claim 20, referring to FIG. 6, RX data processor 630 is configured to provide decoded signal to interference canceller 640.

Regarding claim 21, as recited in claim 13 rejection, Kadous techniques are provided to process a number of received symbol streams in a MIMO system with multipath channels such that improved performance may be achieved when using successive interference cancellation (SIC) receiver processing; see also FIG. 6.

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According to SIC processing, stages 610a ... 610t receive interference components from previous decoded channels.

Regarding claim 36, claim is rejected on the same ground as for claim 14 because of similar scope.

Regarding claim 37, claim is rejected on the same ground as for claim 15 because of similar scope.

Regarding claim 38, as recited in claim 14 rejection, referring back to FIG. 6, because the interference canceller delays to synchronize the received symbol streams y¹ with decoded data stream on each stage, one of ordinary skill in the art would have recognized that the interference canceller acts as the claimed delay.

Regarding claim 39, claim is rejected on the same ground as for claim 18 because of similar scope.

Regarding claim 41, claim is rejected on the same ground as for claim 20 because of similar scope.

Regarding claim 42, claim is rejected on the same ground as for claim 21 because of similar scope.

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Allowable Subject Matter

- 4. Claims 1-7, 8-9, 11-13, 22-29, 31-35, 43-49 and 50-55 are allowed.
- 5. Claims 19 and 40 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Conclusion

6. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

Van Heeswyk et al. U.S. Patent 6,298,050 B1.

7.Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Khanh Tran whose telephone number is 571-272-3007. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday from 08:00 AM - 05:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Shuwang Liu can be reached on 571-272-3036. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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